



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." - Mt 3:17

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MASS SCHEDULE

Mass of AnticipationSaturday, 5:30pm
Sunday Mass..... Sunday, 8:00am and 11:00am
Monday and Wednesday 12:00pm
Tuesday and Thursday..... 9:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Monday and Wednesday, 11:30am; Saturday, 5:00pm
Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30 am

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism preparation is by appointment. Please call the Parish Center for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call Parish Center at least ten months before the wedding date to begin preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Parish Center.

Sacramental Emergencies: 330-817-3635

Urgent need for the Anointing of the Sick

Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin announcements are due to the Parish Office on Wednesday one week prior to the weekend of publication.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday.....9:00am-2:00pm
Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

PASTORAL TEAM

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"We are a predominantly African-American multi-ethnic community of Catholic Christians. We seek to be a beacon of hope, a sign of the healing and reconciling presence of Christ to all by being a center of religious education, spiritual development, and social activity that celebrates the ethnic and cultural values of our members and by participating in the communities in which we live and work to address the social needs of our times."



Scripture Readings FOR TODAY

First Reading: Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased. (Is 42:1)

Psalm: The Lord will bless his people with peace. (Ps 29)

Second Reading: God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. (Acts 10:38a)

Gospel: After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. (Mt 3:16)

Readings for the Week:

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19 [17a]/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 [27b]/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19 [2]/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Saints & Special Observances

Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday: St. Anthony, Abbot

Saturday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Next Sunday: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE WEEK AHEAD MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, **Jan 12, 11 am**

Living and Deceased -
McGrath-Armour-Dixon-Hahn family

Monday, **Jan 13, noon**

Adam and Andrew Fritz

Thursday, **Jan 16, 9 am**

+ Harriette Brown

The Baptism of Jesus is similar in purpose to our own. As Jesus was distinguished as the beloved Son in whom God is well pleased, so, too, are we. We share that same special favor with God and are brought into an intimate relationship with Him. Does this reality change how we feel about ourselves? It certainly does. Baptism forever changes us and calls us to the ministries of mercy and humility. God has formed each of us in our mother's womb and asks us to be a light for all people. We carry this light humbly as we know who ultimately has a claim on us and to whom we belong. We then are called to live our lives in imitation of Christ and become incarnate vessels of mercy. Our world needs to be touched by compassion and only we can complete the task.



REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYER

Please Pray for Our Members, Relatives, & Friends

Ramona Allen, Betty Ashford, Annie Berry, Hasan Bennett, Denise Chinn, Minnie Cassell, Barbara Christian, Lavon Curry, Ben Duran, Tep Falcon, Leon Gibson, Lucille Glenn, Mary Ignatin, Cathy Jordan, Nell Jones, Jerry Mann, Raven McElroy, Derek Mosley, Lawrence Pierre, Mary Praylo, Maria Singleton, Samaria Stovall, Miles Tatum, Earlie Taylor, Joan Thomas, Jim Tyson, Desaree Venema, Robert Vigil, and Ginnie Ward's family.

Please Pray for Our Homebound

Easter Butler, Lola Clemons, Janette Frye, Gerard Haas, Mary Haas, Toledo Mays, Lisa McGee and Dorothy Urban

For homebound needs, please contact Deacon Clarence at x304

Please Pray for All Caregivers

Lord Jesus, we ask you to bring your healing touch to those we know to be sick, afraid, or worried. Amen.

Lessons from Baptizing a Frog

I used to lead an RCIA session on baptism, where I would bring in my Kermit the Frog toy from when I was a child and pretend to baptize it. It was a session I especially made sure I led when we had children preparing for Easter sacraments. You would think Kermit would have become super holy having been baptized so many times, year after year. But, if he had been real, he would not have been any holier due to multiple baptisms than he was after the first baptism. He couldn't be re-baptized. (Not to mention, of course, he is a FROG.)

When Jesus came to John for baptism, he transformed the baptism of repentance that John was practicing into a **baptism of redemption**. And although we are called to repentance over and over in our life, redemption comes to us only once. We cannot get baptized again in the Jordan or Sea of Galilee because of romantic notions, or come into the Catholic Church by a second baptism so we can start all over. Our **baptism**, whether we can remember it or not, is a **one-time deal**. But it is the real deal. Whether you feel it or not, you are sealed for Christ, and the stain of original sin has been washed away.

Too many of us take that moment for granted. Yes, you may have been baptized as an infant. You can work to understand the impact that it had on your life. We sometimes look for a good time to begin living a stewardship way of life. However, that time already passed, and God has been waiting. We are called to reflect on our baptism and respond to the call it has placed on our lives. We can respond and be disciples, or we can always search for a new start that never comes. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Bishop Jorge Rodriguez with Fr. Joseph and Deacon Clarence will celebrate **Mass at 8:00 am** on Monday, **January 20th**. Our Joyful Noise

choir will provide the music. The Office of Black Catholics is sponsoring the service and the reception, which follows. These events precede the Marade (Denver's unique march and rally), where the city commemorates the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. After the Mass and reception, all are invited to gather at City Park and march to Civic Center Park for the Rally. Questions about the Mass & Reception: contact Kateri at 303-715-3165 or kateri.williams@archden.org. For more details on the Marade see [https://www.denver.org/event/martin-luther-king-marade-\(march-and-parade\)](https://www.denver.org/event/martin-luther-king-marade-(march-and-parade))



Saturday, January 25, 2020

Join us for a beautiful evening at The Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center to support

Marisol Women's Services. The annual gala draws people in support of Catholic Charities of Denver's unique continuum of care model, providing women with healthcare, human services and housing. The event includes Mass beforehand (4:30 pm), followed by a program, a Marketplace, live auction and dinner.

Go to <https://ccdenver.org/beacon/> to see all the gala details. Interested in volunteering?

Please contact Mark Hahn at 720-799-9297 / mhahn@ccdenver.org for more information.

Are you newly married? Take time out for your



marriage with a ½ day "Love Your Marriage" enrichment retreat on **Saturday, Jan. 25th from 9am-1pm at Risen**

Christ. Learn how to "Build a Strong Relationship in the First Five Years of Marriage." The retreat is \$40, and includes lunch, materials, and childcare. For more information and to register now, go to: www.archden.org/loveyourmarriage.



Young Adult retreat with Fr. Jacques Philippe

When: Friday, Jan 31, 6:30p - Sat, February 1, 8p

Where: St. Catherine of Siena parish **Cost:** \$47

Denver Catholic Young Adults (20's & 30's) are invited to attend a retreat **diving into the merciful love of our Heavenly Father**. Retreat will be Friday, January 31st evening until Saturday, February 1st evening (lodging not included). All meals included with potluck for Saturday evening! The retreat will take place at St. Catherine Of Siena, 4200 Federal Blvd, Denver and will feature the spiritual wisdom of Fr. Jacques Philippe of the Community of Beatitudes. Email mary.mcgeehan@archden.org with any questions! Or call 303.715.3107